

REMARKS

Claims 1-6, 11-14, 16-19, 23-25, 30-36, 41-44, 47-50, 52-54, 59-65, 70-72, 74-76, 82, 83, 85-87 are now pending in the application. Claim 16 has been amended. No new matter has been added. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

SPECIFICATION

The specification stands objected to for certain informalities. Applicant has amended Paragraph [0028] to recite "read amplifier 116" instead of "write amplifier 116." Applicant amended Paragraph [0033] to recite "preamp circuit 102" according to the Examiner's suggestions. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of this objection are respectfully requested.

DRAWINGS

The drawings stand objected to for not including the reference sign (W), which is described in the specification, and for including the reference character "r/w," which is not described in the specification. Applicant amended the specification to recite "the write enable signal (r/w)." Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of this objection are respectfully requested.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 16-21, 23-25 and 30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point and distinctly claim the

subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicant amended claim 16 to recite "the data storage device." Applicant respectfully submits that this term has sufficient antecedent basis and, therefore, claims 16-21, 23-25, and 30 are now definite.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER


Claims 1-6, 11-14, 31-36, 41-44, 47-50, 52-54, 59-65, 70-72, 74-76, 82, 83, 85-87 and 92-98 are allowed. Applicant thanks the Examiner for the allowable subject matter.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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